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England

HAROLD, earl of Wessex was shipwrecked on the coast of NORMANDY. He became vassal of WILLIAM, duke of Normandy, and promised to secure to him the succession to the English throne?

1064AD

The printers in China progressed in 1064 from carving every item afresh to using movable type, made originally of clay. Administrative reforms starting in 1068 turned the Chinese empire into the first economy managed on modern lines, relying on equitable money taxes rather than forced labor, and on far-reaching interplay between public and private enterprise.

Taxes and the supply of paper money were regulated in accordance with sophisticated ideas about avoiding inflation. The economy and the population boomed, in the warm weather, as government loans encouraged farmers to exploit a new variety of rice from Indochina and Chinese seafarers traded widely in southeast Asia.